IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Taniguchi, et al.

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Tamai, Karl I.

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MAGNETIC BEARING CONTROL DEVICE WITH COUNTER FOR TIMED

MAINTENANCE

Commissioner for Patents Box AF Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed August 26, 2003. Please charge Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481 the amount of \$950.00 to cover the fee for the three-month extension. An Amendment responsive to the outstanding Office Action is being filed simultaneously herewith. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

The Commissioner is authorized charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully submitted,

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